Specification:

Page 14, 2nd paragraph (ending on page 15), Change as follows:

The curved member of the preferred embodiment of the fixture, the cylinder 31 (aka cylinder wall) is made of single-face corrugated fiberboard (SF CF), often supplied in roll form. It is by design flexible in one direction and stiff in the perpendicular direction, hence it is not suitable for making boxes but is rather used as a wrapping or packaging material. Consequently there are fewer standards pertaining to single face as compared to double face corrugated fiberboard. A GSA Commercial Item Description A-A-1051C pertains only to a particular "B" flute construction and uses its own peculiar definition of basis weight; the standard it superseded (Federal Specification PPP-P-291) had the same drawbacks but was more extensive and educational. Consequently more detail must be used in specifying SF CF or a manufacturer found that makes a suitable kind as a stock item. On the west coast the F-D-S Manufacturing Company, Inc., located in Pomona, California, is one such source. Suitable SF CF standard products made of unbleached kraft paperboard in "A" flute size and in two usable paperboard basis weights (pounds per thousand square feet) can be obtained from F-D-S. The lighter-weight product is made of 50 pound basis weight paperboard for both the facing and the corrugated medium (designated 50#/50# herein); the heavier-weight product is made of 70 pound basis weight paperboard (designated 70#/70# herein). The 70#/70# costs about twenty-five percent more than the 50#/50# but is preferred; the 50#/50# is the bottom end of the acceptable basis weight range. A source for 70#/70# SF CF in the eastern part of the country is ~~Ivex/Packaging/Corporation/an/entity with/the/Alcoa/Flexible/Packaging/group/located/in~~ the Ivex Packaging Corporation (a subsidiary of the Alcoa Corporation) located in Bridgeview, Illinois.

Specification:

Page 23, 1st paragraph (ending on page 24), Change as follows:

To summarize the assembly method intertwined in the foregoing description (and to elaborate further), it includes the following procedures. Place SF CF strip 44 corrugated side down on a table or other flat surface, then fold completely over whichever ear 47 is the more convenient so that the corrugated side of the folded-over ear remains exposed. Particularly if 70#/70# SF CF is used, it will be best to crush the flutes flat on the opposite side of the fold line before folding. After the fold is made the flutes at the fold line can be pinched together for a neat appearance. Next place a cylindrical mandrel about 2 5/8 inches in diameter (generic mandrel - either a metal beverage can or a tool such as mandrel 120 shown in Fig. 12 can be used as the mandrel) on the smooth side of strip 44 at the wide end with a round end of the mandrel near the edge of the folded-over ear 47. Place a first bulkhead disk (that will become lower bulkhead disk 50 when assembly is completed) between the edge of the folded-over ear 47 and the round end of the mandrel. Holding the first bulkhead disk against the round end of the mandrel with the thumb of one hand, begin rolling strip 44 over the mandrel with the other hand. As the mandrel is about to be encircled remove the hand holding the first bulkhead disk against the end of the mandrel so that strip 44 can wrap twice around the mandrel; this completes the forming of the cylinder 31, creating a hub 36 and a shoulder 38 at the upper end and a lip 42 and ledge 43 at the lower end. While still holding the cylinder 31, wrap a rubber band 60 around cylinder 31 near the location of the lower bulkhead disk 50 (by definition the first bulkhead disk has now become lower bulkhead disk 50). Now pull out the mandrel. Insert spacer 58 into cylinder 31, followed by the second bulkhead disk (which becomes upper bulkhead disk 54 once inserted). Wrap a second rubber band

60 around the cylinder 31 near upper bulkhead disk 54. At this point the cylindrical assembly 22 has been completed. Grasp the cylinder stem 30 with one [[had]] hand with your thumb on the side of hub 36. Pushing inwards while moving your thumb around the side of hub 36, insert the hub through hole 28 in plate support platform 24 so that plate support platform 24 becomes firmly seated against shoulder 38. The final step is inserting the mandrel into cylinder 31 to force the hub 36 flutes against the edge of hole 28 in platform 24 (the top tapered end of the beverage can should be inserted if the can is being used as a makeshift mandrel). As a result of this final step, the flutes of hub 36 are compressed against and deformed so as to slightly overlap both facings of the DF CF platform at the edge of the platform hole 28, so as to secure the platform 24 in position.

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